

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Charles E. Sumner, Jr.

Appl. No. 09/360,947

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Method for Separating a For:

Tocopherol from a Tocopherol-

Containing Mixture and **Compositions Thereof**

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Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for replying to the outstanding Office Action be extended 3 months from February 21, 2001 to May 21, 2001 by the filing of this Petition.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be \$890.00 for a 3 month extension for a Large entity. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge the required fee of \$890.00 to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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